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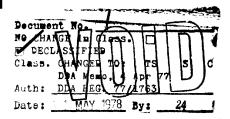
- Communist soldiers and middle-rank officials in Manking have much more money now than they had immediately after the occupation. while the pay at that time was too small for even a rickshaw ride, they now are able to patronize the stores extensively.
- 2. By improving the situation of these groups the Chinese Communist Farty is furnishing a solid base for inalienable support; at the same time the Party is complicating the problems of demobilization.
- 3. Families of high-ranking officials in Wanking, however, are not satisfied with merely equal treatment; they want larger allowances in the traditional Chinese official manner.
- The Party is considering altering the whole system of salary payment. Cash salaries are found to be less costly than all-round support for the worker and his dependents.*
- 5. General, though petty, corruption, as well as ineptitude, characterizes the present city-wide program of property assessment for the purposes of setting taxes. Interviewers are untrained and inadequately briefed, but very approachable.** Another type of corruption is being practiced by officials who continue to collect food allowance for members of their families who have died or have moved away.

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